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MUSIC BOOKS NEW PARTY



ON A CERTAIN DAY,
AT A CERTAIN PLACE.

IN A CERTAIN BED...

WHNNNN...

FI-
BO-
NAC-
C!!!





WHAT?!
A KID?!!

C
R
A
C
H

AND FOR SOME
REASON,
RYUKU IS
SLEEPING
NEXT TO
ME.

I, ASHROU
FORMERLY—
A FIRST YEAR
OF THE BIO-
ENGINEERING
DIVISION OF
NEO-TOKYO
UNIVERSITY.

BUT
DRAGGED
INTO A CHAIN
OF EVENTS
YESTERDAY.

HOW?
WHAT ARE WE
DOING HERE,
ANYWAY?

OH..
RIGHT..





BUT WITH
SUCH AN EASY
ENCRYPTION
ALGORITHM

I'LL
BREAK
THROUGH
IN A
JIFFY!

YIK.
EVERYTHING'S
LOCKED.



ALRIGHT.

BEEP
BEEP



OPEN THE
DOORS!!





OF THE
FORM OF
TORTURE
CALLED
"WATER-
BOARDING"?

EVER
HEARD...

HAA...

HAA...

YOU
COVER THE
FACE WITH
A TOWEL
LIKE SO.

THEN, BY
POURING
WATER FROM
ABOVE, IT
FEELS LIKE
DROWNING.

WELL,
TRY IT?

I CAN'T
UNDERSTAND
A WORD YOU
SAY ♡

YUP.

KOT
KOT KOT
LI-SH
SORRY

KOT
KOT KOT
U' OWE
ME ♡



OH, YOU
HAVE GREAT
PRESUMPTION
SKILLS.

OR "TAKE
OVER YOUR
DAD'S
RESEARCH!"

I'M SURE
IT'LL BE
SOMETHING
LIKE "HELP
US IN YOUR
DAD'S
STEAD."

DON'T Joke
around!

I DIDN'T
EVEN SAY
ANYTHING
YET.

AND SINCE
ALL YOU'VE
BEEN DOING IS
STUDYING, YOU
DON'T HAVE
ANY FRIENDS
RIGHT?

AND THE
WHEREABOUTS
OF YOUR ONLY
RELATIVE ARE
UNKNOWN.

YOU GOT
BOUNDED
OUT OF
SCHOOL,
YOU DON'T
HAVE A HOUSE
ANYMORE.

UGH...
HOW DO YOU
KNOW ALL
THAT...

BUT
WHAT DO
YOU PLAN
TO DO
STARTING
TOMORROW?

YOU SAY
YOU'RE PLEGE.

YOU CAN ALSO
USE COMMUNITIES
AS MUCH YOU WANT
TO TOP IT OFF,
YOU'RE GUARANTEED
FOOD AND
SHELTER.

WELL, IF
YOU CHOOSE TO
HELP US, THAT'S
ANOTHER
STORY.

YOU'LL GET
WELFARE AND
RESEARCH COSTS
COMPLETELY
COVERED.

Pledge

ALL
WE CAN'T
REALLY
HELP YOU
IN MAKING
THIS DECISION,
THOUGH...

I DON'T
NEED
YOUR
HELP!



IN THE MIDDLE OF
CHANGING CLOTHES.

OH, YOU
FINALLY
REALIZED?

End of the flashback

ARE YOU
TRYING TO
KILL ME?!

THANKS
TO YOU...

I CAN SKIP
ON TAKING A
SHOWER NOW.

HAVE
YOU COOLED
YOUR MIND?

SOP

WH-WHAT'S
THE DEAL?
LOOKING FOR
A FIGHT?!

THERE'S
SOMEONE I
WANT YOU
TO MEET.

COME WITH
ME, ASHITO
KOUSHIROU.



FORGET ABOUT THAT, WE'VE REACHED OUR DESTINATION.

BOUGHT IT OFF?!

Just how much did it cost?!



YEA, BECAUSE OUR DIRECTOR BOUGHT IT OFF.

YOUR BASE OF OPERATION...? BUT THIS PLACE IS CLOSED OFF TO THE PUBLIC...



WELL, THAT'S OUR ORGANIZATION'S BASE OF OPERATION.

IT'S CONVENIENT IN MANY WAYS.

WHY DID YOU TAKE ME ALL THE WAY HERE?



Tokyo Skytree







THE ANALYSTS THAT WERE HERE AT THE TIME WERE ALL FROM THE ANALYST DEPARTMENT



A-Class Organisation Analyst

Nekogawa Iku

Hobby: Observing Ichi,



SOME BRILLIANT
BUSINESSMEN
CAME UP, SO
I'M SUPPOSED
TO REPLACE
HIM.

AH, WELL...
YOU SEE...

WHERE'S THE
DIRECTORY?

SAY,
DUN

PROBABLY
AFTER THOUSANDS
OF EXPLOSIONS.



PRETEND
TEENAGERS...
JUST WHO
THE HELL ARE
YOU GUYS?

DON'T LAUGH
ABOUT IT!

A-a-
Gah

YOU
COULD SAY
THAT THIS
MANSPOWER
SHORTAGE IS
HAPPENING
ACROSS THE
WORLD.

Sigh

WELL,
THIS PLACE
REGULARLY RUNS
SHORT ON
MANSPOWER...

SAY
NO ONE
TOLD YOU
ALREADY?



AKA THE
"A-CLASS
ORGANI-
ZATION".

THIS
SOCIETY IS THE
ORGANIZATION
FOR PROTECTING
THE NATION
AGAINST A-CLASS
THREATS.



SO
PROFESSOR
ASHIRO
WORKED WITH
US ON THAT.

A BIRTHDAY
OF IDORO IS
NO DIFFERENT
THAN A THREAT
TO THE NATION.



A COL-
LECTION
ORGANIZ-
ATION WAS FORMED...
IT WAS TO...
BE USED IN
SOME...
LIKE THAT...



AND HE
SUCCEEDED
TO PRODUCE
THE LAST
CHILD.



WHAT I DO
KNOW IS THAT
SHE UNDERWENT
A MUTATION
THAT NO OTHER
HUMAN HAS.

OR
WHY SHE
POSSESSES
SPECIAL
POWERS...
IS WHOLLY
UNKNOWN
TO ME.

HOW HE
MANAGED
TO BIRTH
HER.



SO YOU'RE SAYING THAT YOU DON'T KNOW THE CONTENTS OF HIS RESEARCH...

THEN HOW DO YOU EXPECT ME TO BE ABLE TO TAKE IT OVER...?



AND IF YOU WERE HIS ASSISTANT, WHAT EXACTLY WOULD YOU DO...?



DUE TO THE PROFESSOR'S SECRETIVENESS, WE, INCLUDING THE DIRECTOR, DO NOT KNOW THE DETAILS.

AND THE ONLY ONE WHO KNOWS EVERYTHING, THE PROFESSOR, HAS DISAPPEARED.



THAT DOESN'T QUALIFY YOU AS BEING AN ASSISTANT!



HOUSE CHORES AND BODYGUARD DUTIES?



USING OUR
HIGH-TECH
EQUIPMENT,
YOU MIGHT
BE ABLE TO
FIGURE
SOMETHING
OUT.

!

I THOUGHT
THAT IF WE
HAD YOU
LOOKING
INTO IT...



LET'S
PUSH THE
FORMALITIES
ASIDE FOR
NOW...



WHY DID YOU
PUT EMPHASIS
ON 'YOU'?

~~~~~  
IT WOULD  
SEEM THAT  
I WILL BE ABLE  
TO GET ALONG  
WITH 'YOU'.



WELCOME  
TO MY LAB.

NOW,  
THEN...





WHY  
ARE YOU  
ASKING  
MEP!

DON'T YOU  
AGREE, KAKA?



GIVEN  
THE ERA  
WE'RE IN,

IT'S BEST  
TO FRANKLY  
INDULGE IN  
YOUR HOBBIES,  
IN ORDER TO  
ENJOY WHAT  
LIFE YOU HAVE  
AS MUCH AS  
POSSIBLE...



N-NOT  
AT ALL!

NOW, NOW...  
DON'T YOU  
ALSO HAVE  
A VERY  
INTERESTING  
HOBBY~P

Back  
to the  
main  
topic



COULD  
THIS  
BE...?

I'm  
getting  
candy,  
right?



SO THAT'S  
WHAT YOU  
NEEDED...



...I  
SURE.



COULD YOU  
LEND US A  
HAND FOR A  
MOMENT?



MYUU.



WELL, THOSE  
ARE OLD, AND  
THAT'S THE KIND  
OF CLOTHES YOU'D  
TRADITIONALLY  
WEAR FOR BODY  
MEASUREMENTS.

Open



SO...  
WANT ADD  
THOSE  
CLOTHES  
FOR...?



OKAY.

So, Myuu.

Try  
doing as  
we say  
from now  
on









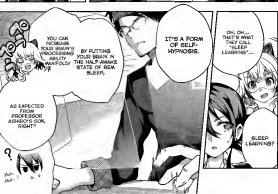


WHAT  
HAPPENED  
...?



SO  
THAT'S  
HOW IT  
IS...

I GET IT...



AS EXPECTED  
FROM  
PROFESSOR  
AGARD'S SON,  
RIGHT?

IT'S A FORM  
OF SELF-  
HYPNOSIS.

OH, OH...  
THAT'S WHAT  
THEY CALL  
"SLEEP  
LEARNING"...

SLEEP  
LEARNING?

WITH ONLY OUR CURRENT RESEARCH, THUS FAR, THERE ARE STILL PARTS BEYOND EXPLANATION...



SO, JUST AS I EXPLAINED IT,

I WAS ABLE TO FORMULATE THIS EQUATION APPLICABLE TO NOVA'S UNCONSCIOUSLY CONTROLLED ABILITIES



THIS INDUCES ANOMALIES IN HER AUTONOMOUS NERVOUS SYSTEM AND COGNITIVE-FUNCTION...

THIS ABILITY, WHICH SHE BECAME UNABLE TO CONTROL, OVERFLOWS AND UNDESIRABLY MANIFESTS AS A LOCALLY DESTRUCTIVE PHENOMENON.



AS FOR THIS KEY VARIABLE... I'LL CALL IT THE "MULTI FACTOR" FOR NOW.

THIS MULTI FACTOR MARKEDLY INCREASES CONCURRENTLY TO STIMULATION OF HER SYMPATHETIC NERVOUS SYSTEM.



SHE'S TOTALLY OUT OF IT! WE GOTTA EXPLAIN IT SIMPLY OR WE'RE GOING TO LOSE HER...!



THE DESTRUCTION THAT HAPPENED A FEW DAYS AGO WAS—

WHICH MEANS...



FOR EXAMPLE,  
WHEN YOU  
SWEAT, YOUR  
HEARTBEAT  
Goes FASTER  
AND YOUR BLOOD  
PRESSURE  
INCREASES.

AND THE  
PRIMARY  
STIMULI  
FOR THAT  
ARE...

IT MAKES  
YOU SECRETE  
ADRENALINE AND  
NORADRENALIN.

WELL...  
SIMPLY PUT,  
WHEN YOUR  
SYMPATHETIC  
NERVOUS  
BECOMES A  
STIMULUS...



POWER,  
FEAR AND  
STRESS IN  
RESPONSE  
TO A FIGHT  
OR FLIGHT  
REACTION.

YES...

THIS... IS  
THE CAUSE  
FOR MYULY'S  
RAMPAGE.

WHICH  
MEANS...





BUT HOW  
DID MY DAD  
MAKE THAT  
KID?



I SEE...

WITH THIS,  
WE'LL BE ABLE  
TO GRASP ANONYMOUS  
EMOTIONAL  
FLUCTUATIONS.



NAH,  
NOTHING.

WHAT'S UP,  
KOUCHIROU?



OK!

ヒッ

LOOK,  
GO PLAY WITH THE  
OTHER  
KIDS OVER  
THERE.





THE BOY'S NAME MEANS "NIGHT ENTERTAINER"



A-Class Organization  
Interrogator  
**Oshito Kaya**  
Hobby: INTERROGATING

SHE'S AN  
INTERROGATOR.

THAT'S  
UNUSUAL...

I THOUGHT  
SHE WAS THE  
KIND THAT  
DIDN'T SHOW  
HER TRUE  
NATURE AT  
FIRST...

YEAH,  
I FIGURED  
AS MUCH.

TOILET.

HMP?

KOUKISHIRU...

A-Class Organization  
Skytree Division

Interrogation Room

AMONG THOSE WE  
CAUGHT YESTERDAY,  
THAT MEERK MAN IS  
THE ONLY ONE THAT  
WASN'T SENT TO  
THE HOSPITAL...

GOT IT.  
I'M TAKING  
OVER.

NOPE.

NO MATTER  
WHAT HE ASK,  
ALL HE DOES  
IS ASK FOR THE  
SPECIMEN'S  
LOCATION...

SO...  
DID HE SAY  
ANYTHING?

WHERE IS THE  
SPECIMEN...?



SORRY,  
BUT I CAN'T  
ANSWER THAT  
QUESTION.



IF YOU  
ANSWER OUR  
QUESTION  
HONESTLY...



BUT WHAT  
ABOUT THIS?



.....



I'LL DO  
WHAT I CAN  
TO MAKE IT  
WORTH YOUR  
TIME...



HE TOOK  
THE BAIT..

HOW  
OLD ARE  
YOU...?







In the women's restroom —

Do not worry,  
I will stand guard  
at the door.

DUMB  
ONE CAN'T  
EVEN GO  
TO THE  
TOILET BY  
HERSELF.

KOUSHIROU,  
ARE YOU  
HEAR?

YEAH,  
I AM...

HUH...

POWERFUL  
STRESS...

NON-  
COMBATANTS  
ARE TO  
EVACUATE  
IMMEDIATELY.

ONE TERRORIST  
HAS BREACHED  
CONTAINMENT.

EVALUATION  
ALERT  
EVALUATION  
ALERT

I REPEAT  
ALL NON-  
COMBATANTS  
MUST EVACUATE  
AT ONCE.

I'M  
NEARLY  
DONE

MYUJI  
GET OUT!

SOMETHING'S  
HAPPENED  
OUTSIDE

ALL NON-  
COMBATANTS  
MUST EVACUATE  
AT ONCE

Under-  
stand!

I REPEAT—

HEY! WHAT  
THE HELL IS  
GOING ON?!



THE NEWTANT WAS A LITTLE BIT DIFFERENT FROM THE OTHERS. SHE WAS A LITTLE BIT DIFFERENT.



THE NEWTANT WAS A LITTLE BIT DIFFERENT FROM THE OTHERS. SHE WAS A LITTLE BIT DIFFERENT. THE NEWTANT WAS A LITTLE BIT DIFFERENT FROM THE OTHERS. SHE WAS A LITTLE BIT DIFFERENT.













I HAVE  
TO TAKE  
RYUKU TO  
SAFETY...

IT'S LIKE  
YESTERDAY'S  
DISASTER IS  
HAPPENING  
ALL OVER  
AGAIN...

DAMN...

!



GEEZ...

I'M NOT  
EXACTLY THE  
MUSCULAR  
TYPE...

RYUKU,  
YOU GO  
AHEAD.

KOUSHIROU...?

...? OKAY.

DON'T  
WORRY, I'LL  
COME AFTER  
YOU.



EXIT →

WHILE ALIANTS' ABILITIES ARE GAINED HEREDITARILY,

NEWTANTS ARE ADDED A POSTERIORI BY REMODELING.

WHAT IS THAT "NEWTANT" YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT?

NEWTANT...

I'M PRETTY SURE...

THEY DON'T INTEND TO OPEN A FREAK SHOW.

BUT I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY...

FOR EXAMPLE, IF YOU INCREASE THE OLFACTORY CELLS IN THE OLFACTORY EPITHELIUM, IT CAN SIGNIFICANTLY INCREASE THE RANGE OF SMELL.

THIS LEADS TO SIGNIFICANT COMPLICATIONS IN THE BRAIN, THOUGH, SINCE THOSE TECHNIQUES WERE ORIGINALLY DEVELOPED WITH MEDICAL TREATMENT IN MIND, BUT...

BY REINFORCING THE MYOCYTES, YOU CAN EASILY MAKE A STRONG, MUSCULAR BODY.





BUT NOW  
I UNDERSTAND  
WHAT THIS  
GUY IS...

HUFF... HUFF  
SO STRONG.



UGH...!



THERE WERE  
PLANTS ABOUT  
TWO FEET TALL  
GROWING AT  
THE SCIENTIFIC  
CAMPUS.

A NEWTANT.

LUCKILY,  
IT DESTROYS  
THE LANGUAGE  
AREA OF THE  
HIPPOCAMPUS  
AS A  
SECONDARY  
EFFECT.





THAT  
REALLY  
ISN'T  
LIKE ME...

DID MYUU  
REACH THE  
BOTTOM?

AHH...  
WHAT AM  
I DOING...



FOR  
REAL?!

SPENT  
MORE TIME  
WITH HER...

I WISH I  
COULD'VE...





WHAT  
THEEEE!?



*BECAUSE...*



EVEN IF  
SHE DOESN'T  
REMEMBER  
ANYTHING  
ABOUT HER  
PAST...



MYUU'S  
FINE.

EVEN IF  
SHE'S LOST  
AND WITHOUT  
A HOUSE,



KOUSHIROU  
IS WITH ME.



MYUU...



?

WHY  
THE HELL  
DID YOU  
COME BACK  
HERE?!!





INTER-  
RUPT  
US!!!

ARE YOU...  
ALRIGHT...?

MYUU...



RIGHT...!

HER  
DESTRUCTIVE  
ABILITY ALSO  
RESOLVED  
THE SITUATION  
BACK THEN.



WHY  
WOULDN'T  
I BEL?



WOWAH!

LOOK  
KOUSHIBO!

I KICKED  
HIS ASS!

ARE YOU  
KIPPING  
ME?!



THERE'D  
MORE TO IT...

RAVING  
THERE'D  
ANOTHER  
FACTOR  
TO HER  
ABILITY.





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FOR  
EXAMPLE...

LOVE.

Humanity... Rejoice at this HE's smile.



HIGH-  
SENSITIVITY  
WITHOUT  
SYMPATHETIC  
SENSITIVITY